IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THE EIGHTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

WRIT PETITION NO : 19859 of 2005

Between:

Employees' Recreation Home represented by its Manager Pilli Victor Babu, r/o Ramakrishna Nagar, Chintalapudi, West Godavari District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 Superintendent of police, Eluru, West Godavari District.
2 Deputy Superintendent of Police, Jangareddy Gudem, West Godavari District.
3 Inspector of police, Chintalapudi Circle, Chintalapudi, West Godavari District.
4 Sub-Inspector of Police,Chintalapudi P.S., West Godavari District.

.....RESPONDENT(S)

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K.C.BHANU

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W.P.NO.19859 OF 2005

ORDER:

This writ petition is filed seeking to issue a Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in interfering with the lawful activities of the members and guests of the petitioner organization and insisting to stop playing cards game (rummy) with or without stakes in the premises of petitioner, as illegal and arbitrary, and consequently direct the respondents not to interfere with lawful activities of members and guests of the petitioner organization and playing rummy with or without stakes.

Head the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Home.

There cannot be any dispute that as declared by this Court in the decision reported in **Twin Cities Cinema Cultural Centre (formerly Twin Cities Club),Hyderabad Vs. Commissioner of Police, A.P. Hyderabad and others** that the game of rummy is a game of skill and not a game of chance. Therefore, the respondents have no authority to interfere with the activities of the petitioner, if their activities are in accordance with law.

With the above observation, the writ petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

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K.C.BHANU,J

08/09/2005

NOTE:C.C. in two days.

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